



Rondebosch Boys' High School

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Hockey Herald

Results 19th-20th August

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U19D	Wynberg	2-0	Win	
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U15A	Wynberg U15A	2-1	Win	
U16B	Wynberg U16B	2-0	Win	
U15B	Wynberg U16C	3-2	Win	
U16C	Wynberg U16D	1-1	Draw	
U14A	Wynberg	2-4	Loss	
U14B	Wynberg	0-1	Loss	
U14C	Wynberg	0-5	Loss	

Editorial

This edition hits your computers on the day of the long awaited derby game against Bishops. Its late arrival primarily due to having to deal with flu along with the preparations for Bishops which is arguably the most important fixture of the season.

The return Wynberg fixture proved to be more successful for us than last time around with six wins a draw and five losses. Particularly pleasing was the improvement of the 1st team result. Though we lost the fighting spirit of the team throughout the game was heartening. They never gave up and this is an example that was set earlier in the day by the U14A team who though they were down 3-0 at half time, kept fighting to score two of their own goals in the second half.

I hope that with the all important matches this weekend against Bishops, this fighting spirit continues and that we are able to turn some of the defeats of our last encounter into victories.

Please note that next week Friday is the closing hockey function at WPCB bowls club house. Details to be found in the From the Committee section.

1st Team Match Report

Wynberg:

Rondebosch had a thing or two to prove on Friday night when they came up against a strong Wynberg team who had comprehensively beaten them in the first term. The game started off at a high pace with Wynberg dominating from the outset and creating quality opportunities. Rondebosch managed to find their feet after the early aggression, but two defensive errors meant Wynberg managed to score two goals in quick succession to leave Bosch on the back foot throughout the whole half.

In the second half, the boys picked up their game and showed that they have all the commitment required in such an important derby game. Through persistent pressure, and a well worked short corner, Rondebosch managed to pull 1 back to make the last 15min both an exciting and nerve - wrenching affair. At one stage, Wynberg had two players in the sin bin, but despite this, Bosch couldn't capitalise on the numerical advantage, so the score ended 1 - 2.

The boys showed immense heart and character and played some good hockey in the second half. An impressive turnaround from the first encounter.

Steven Lovesay (Coach)

Match Report: RBHS vs. Fairmont

Monday 22nd August 2011 7:15

In the quarterfinals of the knockout against Fairmont started off poorly with Fairmont throwing everything they had at us. Second team goalie Jason Giger had to be called in for an absent Sufyaan Banderker.

The game was fairly well poised at zero, until Fairmont won a penalty corner and with crafty intuition managed to get the ball into the back of the net. Still early in the game Rondebosch realised composure was a necessity and with heads focused on the task managed to pull one back. It was a well taken goal by Matthew Davis, who managed to roof the ball into the net. Still the day was not won and Bosch went back to the starting blocks and won a penalty corner. Oliver Thompson managed to beat it into the goal, however it may have taken a deflection, and they all count.

At the break, the manager and coach were naturally unhappy with the score,. They asked for more in the second half, and Bosch delivered. Bagging another two goals, both penalty corners. The players relieved by the earlier score line. Not only has the score line reflected maturity and a win but the progressive stance Rondebosch has aimed to achieve game after game. With Fridays fixture being the biggest this year, it is only a confidence booster to what could be against Bishops. After a win like that exhibited on Monday nothing less can be expected on Friday evening. Then another Monday night against Bishops in the semi finals. All to play for in the last games of the season.

Ross Compton

U16A Team Match Report

U/16A vs Wynberg:

This was never going to be an easy encounter as Wynberg's only previous loss had been to Rondebosch.

Rondebosch started well and kept possession, despite Wynberg throwing everything at Rondebosch defensively. It was some good work from all areas of the field by Rondebosch, that created continuous pressure. In the end Kay scored from a solid short-corner hit. It was this basic approach that should have buried the Wynberg side but the Rondebosch attack were, at times, guilty of over-elaboration. This was unlike the Rondebosch side and Wynberg were beginning to realise that their only chance was from their hallmark, counter-attack.

Rondebosch started the second-half well and Riaz Sader created some deceptive runs, eventually beating the defence on the baseline and passing to Zubayr Hamza, who made no mistake in crashing it passed the keeper.

Wynberg were becoming more and more direct and were taking long range hits into the circle, looking for the deflection. Wynberg's goal came from a deflection and with only one goal up the Rondebosch defence became more wary. Some more missed chances to make the game safe did not help the Rondebosch cause and in the last ten minutes, a more territorial approach was adopted by the Bosch side.

In summary, Wynberg pushed the better Bosch side, but a game of missed opportunities by Rondebosch always kept Wynberg in the hunt.

Lloyd Nel (Coach)

U16B Team Match Report

U16 B. Match report –Wynberg

This week saw the Rondebosch u16B face Wynberg U15A. In our first fixture, in the first half of the season, we had to taste a bitter defeat but were determined to turn our previous loss into a win.

The game got off to a good start for Rondebosch and we managed to dominate for most of the first half. We implemented our solid structure which we have been building on throughout the season and managed to score an early goal off a fluid passage of hockey. The first half was a frustrating affair for Rondebosch and we missed out narrowly on a number of scoring opportunities. The few chances that our opponents had of scoring were denied by our inform defence. Going into the break, Rondebosch had a one goal advantage over Wynberg, which should have been far greater had we utilized all the opportunities on offer.

The second half resembled many of the same factors of the first half with Rondebosch playing a good brand of hockey. Wynberg battled to generate any chances of levelling the score. Rondebosch kept their cool and were unlucky not to score on a number of occasions. In the dying minutes of the game a short corner came our way and a textbook move increased the winning margin of two goals to nil. With only one game left this season there is no doubt the U16B side are going to give it their all to ensure an excellent victory over Bishops and end the season on a winning note.

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Nicholas Schonegevel

U16C Match Report

U16C vs Wynberg

Wynberg has always been tough competition for our team. Perhaps more so due to the mental block we have, as it is part of the elusive triple crown. We were lucky enough to get a late afternoon astro match, which allowed the boys to play under flood lights for the first time. This certainly helped as we got off to a strong start against Wynberg. However, Wynberg came at us just as fiercely and play was moving from end to end, with neither team able to convert in the first half. After a few words at half time, the RBHS boys came out fighting and quickly secured a 1-0 lead courtesy of Shayan, once again. Sadly this was short lived and Wynberg came back with one of their own. We had many more opportunities, but an inch here and an inch there meant we narrowly missed out on converting more.

Man of the match went to Brandon for some lovely defensive work. Had our short corners come together and the goals posts been a bit wider, I think we would've had a sure victory.

James White & Jono Cox

U15A Match Report

Bosch played against Wynberg U16B's after beating their U15A's 8-0 last term. The aim for our team was to make sure we kept the ball this time and to never give up the pressure for the entire match. We also knew that a Wynberg team was always going to play a counter attack minded game of hockey, and this was where we were going to beat them by turning the ball over from them inside our half and moving forward in a direct assault to their counter attacking play.

We started well by forcing Wynberg to go around our press and not straight through the channels, but Wynberg did manage to get through every now and again, and this led to them scoring the first goal. Bosch however held composure and we started to get more and more ball from some very good turnovers by Brandon-Lee Smith, who was having a very good game in midfield. Chad created some great attacking moves for Bosch by throwing many non-speculative overheads into the Wynberg half of the field, and good pressure from the forwards, Jono, Azhar, Keegan, and Danni led to many good attacking opportunities for us. Towards the end of the first half we managed to claw our way back into the match by some magic skills by our captain, Matthew Swart, moving from top D-beating 3 players and finishing past a diving Wynberg keeper.

The second half was full of scrambled goal attempts by both Wynberg and Bosch, with Bosch getting the upper hand- maybe due to last weeks training and fitness session. The game was very tense to watch from the sidelines but Bosch kept their heads and kept on looking for that goal to clench victory again. That goal for Bosch came in the last 5 mins of the second half. Bosch made yet another turnover and we attacked as we had planned. We managed to head through the middle of the field leaving space out wide for both our forwards. Keegan managed to find himself in space on the left, and with a 2-1 making pass by Matthew Keegan picked the ball up and picked the smallest of spaces in which to score his goal. the ball slid past the outstretched right leg of the Wynberg goal keeper. The game ended 5 mins later and Bosch had gotten the victory they so desperately deserved.

Well played boys, well done on giving your all and playing the game right up until the final whistle.

Man of the Match- Keegan Langford (for his goal to win us the game this week)

Andrew Winter (coach)

U15B Match Report

RBHS U15B v Wynberg

The first leg of this fixture was a hard fought and physical encounter with the result showing a draw. This leg was going to prove to be another tough match where the boys' skills and determination were going to be tested to the end.

The first half was dominated by Bosch and the boys used the space and 2 v 1 situations to their advantage. There were numerous injuries throughout the game which saw boys being put into positions that they would not normally fill. They all managed well and maybe even finding a new passion.

Our star striker, Naeem was on hand to dish out some clinical finishing and add yet another hat trick to last weeks one. Gutsy defending kept out most of the Wynberg attacking moves slipping only 2 goals passed our keeper who also had a storming game!

The game ended 3-2 in favour of Bosch and a very exciting end to a tough game was enjoyed by all supporting.

Stephen Wormald

U14A Match Report

On Friday afternoon the Rondebosch u14A team played Wynberg at WPCC. We got off to a bad start conceding a goal early in the game. This seems to be a common occurrence of late and needs to be sorted out before the big game against Bishops. We played badly in the first half, often giving the ball away for no reason at all. Credit must go to Wynberg as they still had to get the ball in the back of the net. The half time score was 3:0.

In the second half we came back hard, but a brilliant run through the middle by one of their links, followed by a great goal set us back. We immediately hit back from the start, scoring a fantastic goal without letting Wynberg touch the ball from the re-start. This was followed by a good deflection at far post five minutes later to get us back in with a sniff. The boys could feel it coming, but with two silly cards meaning four minutes with ten men on the field, we couldn't do it.

The end result was 4:2, but I feel the way the boys played in the second half was excellent. They didn't give up for a second showing the true character of Rondebosch hockey.

Saxon Hawkins (Assistant Coach)

U14B Match Report

On Saturday the u14B took on a Wynberg side who in the past had beaten us quite badly. needless to say we were anxious heading into this encounter but were wanting to get our own back and show how much we had improved inn the last months. The first half was a tough encounter but one which we took the game to them and were definitely in a more positive mind frame than our opponents.

Losing much of our concentration through half time, we conceded early and despite our numerous shots on target, we were not able to relieve the one goal deficit. Despite the loss, it was a positive performance and one which showed our level of improvement. Dylan Barends was awarded man of the match and we hope the form continues into next weeks game.

Jack Chennells (Coach)

U14C Match Report

Hockey Report: U14C vs. WBHS

At half-time the score stood at 1 – 0 against Rondebosch. Although we had displayed some very slick advances, we had failed to finish in the D. Our defence had been sloppy at times, as most Wynberg advances went virtually unchallenged until the goal box, where Chad Louw made several excellent saves.

In the second half, the team's play improved, although this is not reflected in the final 5 – 0 score. We were passing wide from the sixteen, and the defence improved considerably; unfortunately we did not match Wynberg's determination to win, however, and we conceded an unlucky second goal. This was followed by two unstoppable pistol-shot short-corners by Wynberg after which, unfortunately, our performance flagged and an unnecessary fifth goal went in.

The U14C team has improved considerably since we first played WBHS, but it was not enough on the day. Nonetheless, the boys played hard and in good spirit, making a great contest against a great school.

Gareth Austin (coach)

From The Committee

Reminder: Hockey Function 2 September 2011 **WPCC Bowls Club 18h30 for 19h00**

Dear Hockey Players and Parents

Please diarize 2 September for the end of season hockey function. At this function it is tradition for each team captain to give a report back on their team's performance of the season and to give a gift to their coaches.

The cost is R60 per head for both hockey players and parents. This includes venue hire and dinner (halaal curry and rice.)

Money can be paid in an envelope (with players name on) to Mrs Lyall at the school reception. No change will be given. Money needs to be paid before Wednesday, 31 August.

WPCC will be running a cash bar at the venue.

For catering purposes please RSVP to cindy.giger@mweb.co.za or phone/SMS 082 7455831 before **FRIDAY 26 AUGUST**.

We need to confirm numbers with the caterer so please remember to RSVP if you are attending, hockey players included.

Thank you for your support.
Hockey Parents Committee

Hockey Fixtures 26th – 27th August

	Opponents	Venue	Field	Day	Time
U19A	Bishops	RBHS	WPCC	Fri 26	18:50
U19B	Bishops	RBHS	WPCC	Fri 26	17:40
U19C	Bishops	RBHS	WPCC	Sat 27	09:00
U19D	Bishops	RBHS	WPCC	Sat 27	08:00
U16A	Bishops	RBHS	WPCC	Fri 26	16:35
U16A	Bishops (KO semi)	Westerford	Astro	Tue 30	15:45
U15A	Bishops	Bishops	Astro	Sat 27	09:15
U16B	Bishops	RBHS	WPCC	Sat 27	10:05
U15B	Bishops	Bishops	Astro	Fri 26	16:35
U16C	Westerford	Westerford	Imhoff	Sat 27	08:00
U14A	Bishops	RBHS	WPCC	Fri 26	15:30
U14B	Bishops	Bishops	Astro	Sat 27	08:10
U14C	Bishops	Bishops	Astro	Fri 26	15:30

Pictures vs Wynberg





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